GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

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Cruise Shipping in Waterways
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce any scheme to operate cruise ships in inland waterways in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the waterways identified for the purpose;

(c) whether the Government proposes to introduce any scheme for promotion of sea/cruise tourism among ASEAN and SAARC countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a)&(b):No, Madam.However,private cruise operators operate cruise services onNational Waterway (NW)-1 (Ganga-Bhagirathi-Hooghly river system from Allahabad to Haldia), NW-2 (River Brahmaputra from Dhubri to Sadiya) andNW-3 (West Coast Canal from Kottapuram to Kollam along with Udyogmandal and Champakara Canals).
(c)&(d): The Ministry of Tourism promotes India as a holistic tourism destination in identified global markets including ASEAN and SAARC countries through the Incredible India campaign, participation in tradeshows and promotional events and organiziations of road shows and seminars for the travel trade.
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